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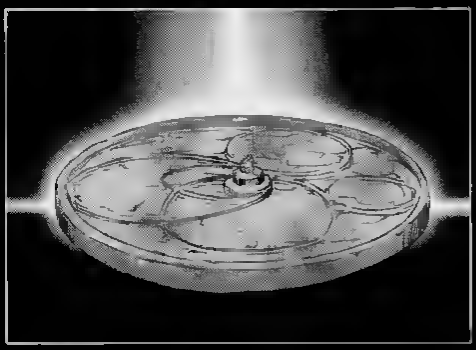
ANTIKYTHERA MECHANISM* >> ANTIKYTHERA GEAR



Spring 1900. In the coastal waters of Antikythera, an island near Greece, sponge fishermen salvaged this mysterious device from a sunken ship, along with an enormous amount of ancient Greek artifacts.

For a long time, the purpose of the device was unknown, until a recent study confirmed that it was built around 400 B.C., and was used to calculate the position of the sun and moon. Consequently, it is now seen as a wonderful example of craftsmanship and astronomical knowledge from an ancient civilization, rather than an out-of-place artifact.

Inside it is twenty-nine different sized gears with triangular teeth. A small window shows the waxing and waning of the moon to represent the months. With the gearing functions, it is possible to determine the shape of the moon on a specific day up to four years in advance.

Ziggurat
That is, a worn out secret.
EXCUSE ME FOR A LITTLE.
HM?

HEY, YAMATO-SAN!
IT'S BEEN A WHILE SAGARA.
THIS HERE IS MY SENIOR INSPECTOR YAMATO
FORMER INSPEC-TOR.
I'M JUST YOUR AVERAGE DETECTIVE NOW.
THAT'S RIGHT.
THAT'S QUITE A LOT OF PEOPLE, YOU EXPECTING SOME-THING?
IT'S SECU-RITY.
POLICE ON A PRIVATE RESI-DENCE?
I DUNNO.
HIGHER-UPS PROBABLY GOT A WAD OF CASH
SO YOU ALL GOT DRAGGED INTO IT, HUH?
RIGHT.
IT'S THE SALE OF SOME ANCIENT WORK OF ART OR SOME-THING.
...YOU WOULDN'T MIND LETTING ME SEE IT, WOULD YOU?
YOU SURE LIKE THIS STUFF.
WELL, IT SHOULDN'T BE A PROBLEM.

HA HA HA
PLEASE JUST OVER-LOOK ME
IT'S ALL RIGHT.
JUST THAT, YOU'LL BE THE FIRST SUSPECT IF SOMETHING GOES WRONG.
THANKS A LOT.
OH MY,
EVEN MISTER IS HERE.
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NOW THINGS ARE REALLY GETTING EXCITING.

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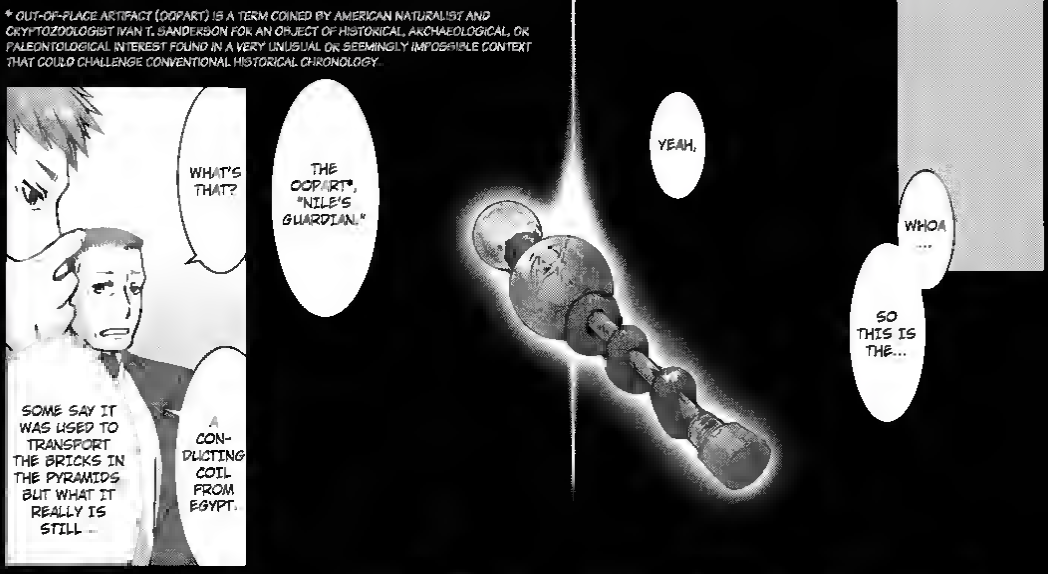

WHAT'S THAT?
SOME SAY IT WAS USED TO TRANSPORT THE BRICKS IN THE PYRAMIDS BUT WHAT IT REALLY IS STILL –
A CONDUCTING COIL FROM EGYPT.
THE OOPART*, "NILE'S GUARDIAN."
YEAH,
WHOA ....
SO THIS IS THE...

THEN, I GUESS WE HAVE A DEAL.
BUT THERE'S NO WAY I CAN GO BACK TO THE ANCIENT FOUNDATION EMPTY HANDED.
AS LONG AS WE REACH AN AGREEABLE PRICE, THAT IS
IF YOU SAY THAT IT WILL BE USEFUL IN YOUR HISTORY RESEARCH.
THEN I GUESS THERE REALLY ISN'T ANY REASON I SHOULDN'T HAND IT OVER.

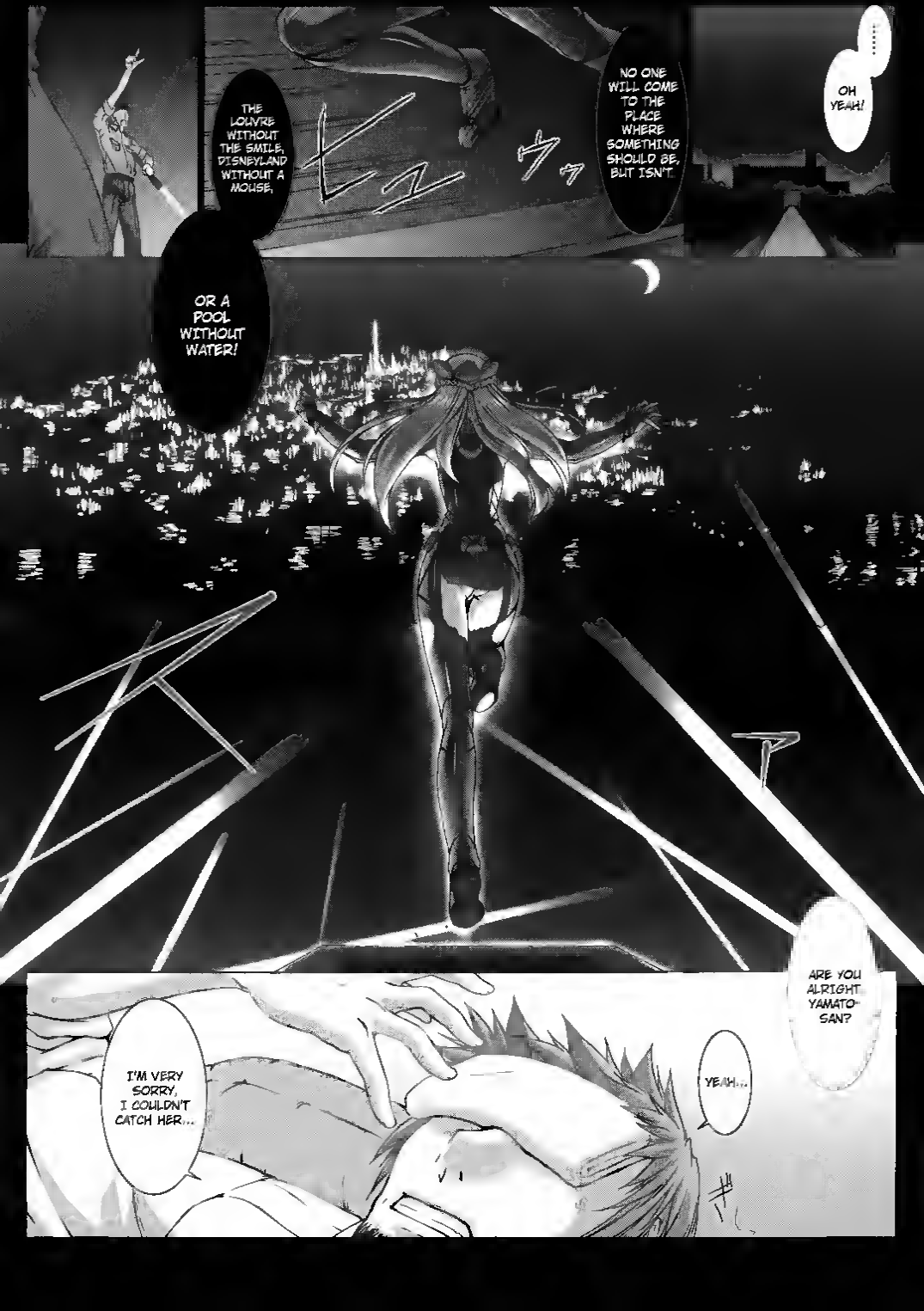
PHEW.
PEOPLE LIKE US WHO DON'T HAVE ANYTHING WILL NEVER UNDERSTAND THEIR WORLD.
THEY SAY THERE ARE THINGS YOU LOSE AS YOU BECOME WEALTHIER, BUT OVERALL I SAY HAVING SOMETHING IS [illegible].
IT'S BEEN A WHILE, SO WANNA GO GRAB DRINK?
SERI-OUSLY.
SORRY, I HAVE SOMETHING TO DO IN THE MORN--
HM?
THEY'RE HERE TO SEE THE VISITORS OFF.
...IS THAT ALL OF THE MAIDS...?
HMM?
...YEAH, IT SHOULD BE...

THIS IS SAGARA! ALL SQUADS, BE ON THE LOOKOUT!
!
HOWEVER, YOU SAY THAT ALL OF THEM SHOULD BE THERE!?
ONE OF THE MAIDS FROM WHEN I ARRIVED IS GONE!
YAMATO-SAN!?
HM? SHE NEEDED TO USE THE BATHROOM, SO SHE MADE ME TAKE HER...
WHICH WAY DID THE GUEST GO!?
OH DETEC-TIVE, WHY ARE YOU IN SUCH A RUSH...
TOTTSUGAWA-SAN!
CRAP!
PARDON ME!!

O...
ZZZ
タンタンタン
mmmm!!

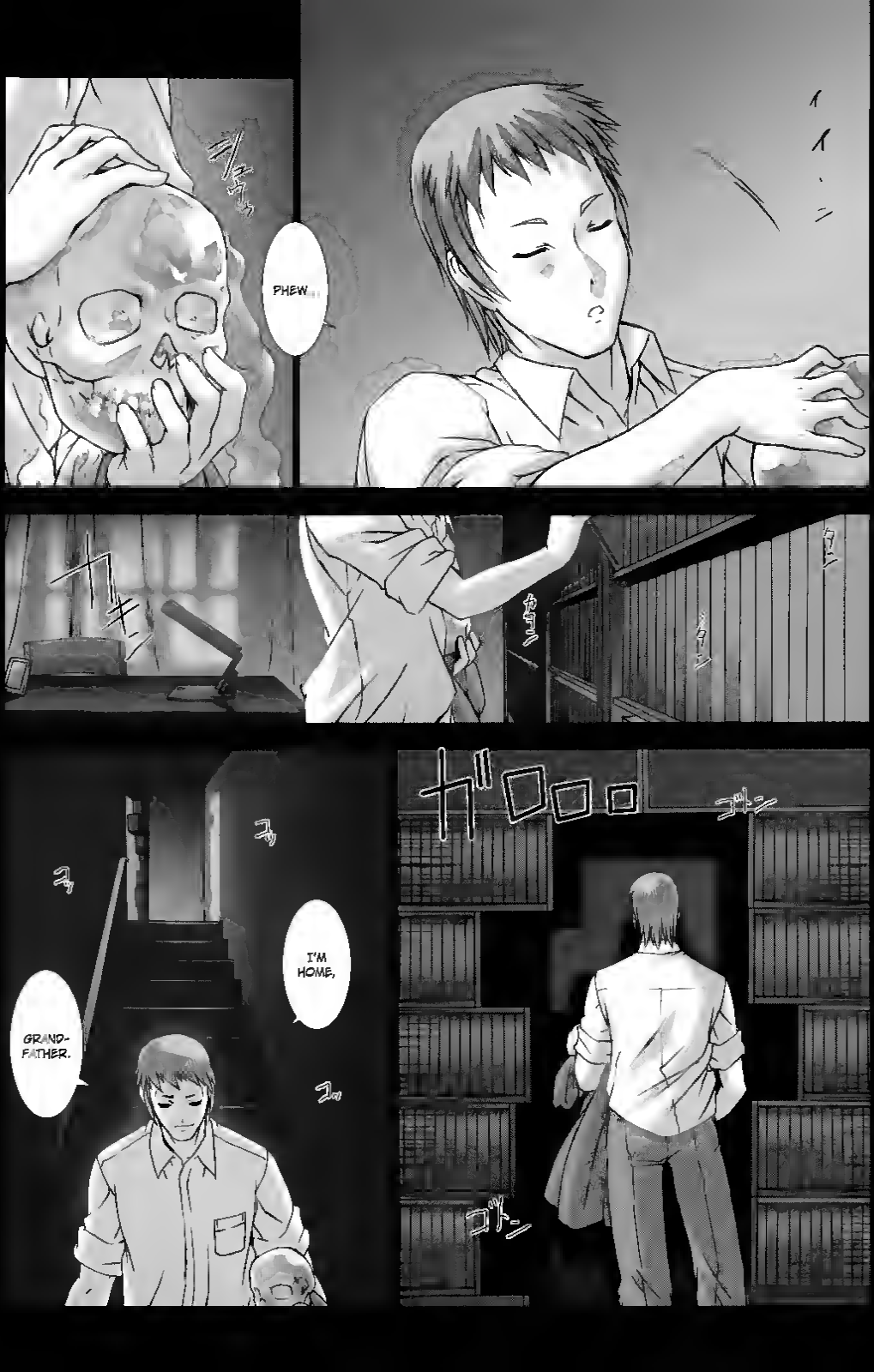
GOBFHH!?
IDIOT!
AT LEAST KNOCK, MISTER!!
UH GH
!
AWW, COME ON!
I WAS JUST GOING TO STAY HIDDEN AND LET EVERYTHING PASS...

TRI-NI-TY
AS I THOUGHT, IT'S STILL LIGHT OUT.
SPECIAL WANTED CRIMINAL #9!!
THE SUSPECT... NO, THE CULPRIT IS #9!
DON'T LET HER LEAVE THE AREA!
THIS IS WHY I HATE SUMMER.
THERE ARE PROBABLY PEDESTRIANS AS WELL, SO I BETTER NOT HEAD STRAIGHT HOME...
ANYWAY, I'VE GOT WHAT I CAME FOR.
I NEED... SOME-WHERE... WHERE THERE'S LESS PEOPLE...


THE LOUVRE WITHOUT THE SMILE, DISNEYLAND WITHOUT A MOUSE,
NO ONE WILL COME TO THE PLACE WHERE SOMETHING SHOULD BE, BUT ISN'T.
OH YEAH!
OR A POOL WITHOUT WATER!
ARE YOU ALRIGHT YAMATO-SAN?
YE-AH...
I'M VERY SORRY, I COULDN'T CATCH HER...

PLEASE REST.
WE MAY NEED TO QUESTION YOU LATER, BUT AT LEAST WE KNOW WHO'S BEHIND IT.
THE ONES IN CHARGE OF SECURITY WERE US, THE POLICE.

POPS.
I'M HOME.
SHE GOT AWAY AGAIN.


PHEW...
I'M HOME,
GRAND-FATHER.

GRAND-FATHER,
IT SEEMS LIKE #9 IS TRYING TO DO THE SAME AS WHAT YOU WERE DOING.
SHE'S JUST STEALING TRASH...
NO,
IT'S NOT ALL JUST TRASH.
BECAUSE SOMETHING LIKE THIS EXISTS.
GRAND-FATHER, WHAT WERE YOU TRYING TO ACHIEVE?
WHAT DOES IT HAVE TO DO WITH THIS THING THAT IS SCATTERED THROUGHOUT YOUR MEMOS?

"ZIGGURAT."
WHAT...
...IS THAT?
GOOD MORNING, LANDLADY.
GOOD MORNING, DID YOU STAY AT YOUR PARENT'S PLACE LAST NIGHT?
YEAH, SOME-THING CAME UP.
YOU HAVE SCHOOL ON A SATURDAY AS WELL?
...YEAH, SOMETHING CAME UP...

COME OOON! WORK HARD-EEER!
I WOULD'VE PREFERRED IT IF THE CAPTAIN AND KARASAWA WOULD CHEER US ON IN STRING BIKINIS.
THEY'RE WORKING US SO HARD, AND IT'S HARD TO GET INTO IT WHEN WE'RE GETTING NOTHING IN RETURN.
YOU WANT ME TO ASK WHY YOU WERE AT THE POOL, EVEN THOUGH THE SCHOOL GATES WERE CLOSED.
UGH
WHAT DO YOU MEAN, YATA?
WH- WHY ME AS WELL..?
I'M NOT ONLY BEAUTIFUL, BUT I'M ALSO A CAPABLE BOSS SO, I HAVE ALSO PREPARED YOU SOME TREATS.
Yeah
Completely black.
. THAT IS HOW SOCIETY WORKS, IS IT NOT?
THE ONLY ON I CAN PRAISE FOR FOLLOWING THE RULES IS NAKAICHI. KEEP WORKING AND POLISH WHILE THINKING OVER WHAT YOU HAVE DONE!
YOU STUPID IDIOTS! WHY WOULD YOU GET A REWARD FOR A PUNISH-MENT?

AFTER THE WATER TEST IS DONE, I'LL USE YOU AS MUCH AS I CAN THIS YEAR.
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IT MIGHT BE A LIIITTLE COLD, BUT YOU'VE DONE YOUR WARM-UPS, RIGHT?
THIS ISN'T GOOD... IT IS MY FAULT FOR FALLING ASLEEP THOUGH.
ACK.
IN THAT CASE, I'LL JUST HAVE TO WAIT UNTIL WE FILL THE POOL ...
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チャポ…
IT'S OKAY.
GOOD WORK!
NOW GET CHANGED, AND ENJOY YOURSELVES.
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...KANAE,
ARE YOU DOING SOMETHING DO INCREASE YOUR BUST SIZE...?
...NOT REALLY...?
HOW BITTER...
KIMURA, DIFFERENT PEOPLE EACH HAVE THEIR OWN TIME AND ARSENAL
ARE YOU TRYING TO SAY I'M WASTING MY TIME!?
TH-THAT'S RIGHT! I'M SURE THE CAPTAIN WILL HAVE A NICE BODY IN LESS THAN FIVE YEARS.
DO YOU WANT TO EAT MY FIST FOR THE NEXT THREE DAYS!?
WHAT DID YOU SAY!?
IDIOT CAPTAIN! BLONDIE FLAT-CHESTED! LOLICON!
YOUR COMMENT DOES NOTHING BUT ANNOY ME, MISS METRIC
HEWW.

T.N: SHE IS MEANING THAT HER BUST IS AROUND 1 METER.

HUH!?
AS IF ANYONE WOULD WEAR SOMETHING SO OUT OF FASHION BESIDES IN THE GAMES YOU PLAY.
... SHOULDN'T IT HAVE BEEN THE OLD STYLE SCHOOL SWIMSUIT, GIVEN THE CIRCUM-STANCES...?
WHAT, ITOU?
YAH!
OH.
IT WAS WORTH WATCHING OVER THEM IN THIS GODDAMN HEAT.
H-HMPH.
I SHOULD GRAB IT AND GET BACK HOME...
OH GOOD, IT HASN'T DRAINED AWAY.
WHAT THE? SUCH AN IMPATIENT ONE.

MUGHHHHH!
DAMN IT, I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU ARE, BUT...
TAKE THIS!
KANAE!
It's so perversely cool!
UWOO HHH!? WHAT'S THAT!?
LET HER GO!!
Wha!?
I-IS THAT EVEN WATER!?

CAPTAIN!
BFF!!
HEEY! I'M GOING TO DROWN IN YOUR FAT!
HE-WW.
THAT'S!
IT DOESN'T CARE ABOUT WHAT'S OUTSIDE?
!
...THIS, THIS ISN'T COMING OUT OF THE POOL
How boring
GRAB ITS ATTENTION FOR A WHILE!!
OH.
ITOU!
HUH!?

SH-EESH.
HEY, YAMATO!!
UBGHHH!!
LIKE THIS!?
THIS REALLY MIGHT HAVE BEEN ABLE TO MOVE THOSE BRICKS...
AMAZING, THE WATER IS PROTECTING THE WATER.
SO THIS IS WHAT "NILE'S GUARDIAN" MEANT!

RIGHT!
BUHU-
OHHH!
WHOOPS,
HEY, ARE YOU ALRIGHT!?
PHEEW.

NGH...
PHEW.
SHE'S STILL BREATHING
...BUT,
WHY WAS THIS HERE...?
GYAAAH! I'M GONNA DIE!!
ほはあ
STOP FOOLING AROUND. YOU LOOK TOTALLY FINE.
ALRIGHT! AND THAT BRINGS AN END TO THIS YEAR'S POOL OPENING!
NO, I CAN'T SWIM...!

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